

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention is a method for locating works such as music, graphic images, or text files contained on databases or residing as individual files on private or public networks. This invention will, once it locates an object conforming to the parameters specified by the user, initiate an automated dialog with the owner of the conforming object for the purpose of determining the intentions of the owner. This invention lends itself to searching for documents, images, sounds, or other resources that may already be owned by the user but not known to him or for documents, images, sounds, or other resources that are available on the Internet and are freely accessible or documents, images, sounds, or other resources that are available on databases located on the Internet where the owner or controller of the document requires a fee to access the document.